

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 392
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Mr. Ewing P. "Pat" Troope, Jr. of Columbia on his outstanding contributions to his community.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those exemplary individuals that have had a significant impact on their communities; and

WHEREAS, Ewing P. "Pat" Troope is one such notable individual who is most assuredly deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, born on April 9, 1942, Pat Troope, Jr. exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Pat Troope began his meritorious career with the Columbia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, he has climbed through the ranks of the Columbia Police Department, serving with acumen and alacrity as a sergeant and later as assistant chief of police; and

WHEREAS, before his exemplary 25-year career with the Columbia Police Department, Pat Troope served with distinction as a firefighter for 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Ewing "Pat" Troope has been the recipient of several awards and accolades, including the "Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award" by the Columbia Jaycees in 1973, "Officer of the Year" by the Knights of Columbus in 1990 and the "Bailey Peyton/Walter Griffin Award" by the Fraternal Order of Police in 1994; and

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WHEREAS, he is also a former member of several community and civic organizations, including the Kiwanis Club, the Masonic Lodge and former Secretary of the Fraternal Order of Police; and

WHEREAS, Pat Troope is also a former member of the Tennessee National Guard; and

WHEREAS, his countless accomplishments aside, Ewing "Pat" Troope is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his charming wife, Janice; their three children, Michelle Troope Ferguson, Jennifer Troope Woods and Scott Troope, and two grandchildren, Chelsea Ferguson and Bayleigh Woods; and

WHEREAS, his son, Scott Troope, is a commissioned officer with the Spring Hill Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Troope has been an active and devout member of the Highland Park Baptist Church for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to recognize this outstanding gentleman; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize Mr. Ewing P. "Pat" Troope, Jr. on his outstanding contributions to the Columbia community, and to Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.